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Serial No.: 10/811,514) Group Art Unit:
Filed: March 29, 2004) Examiner:
For: APPARATUS FOR DISPENSING) Attorney Docket: 16051
FLAT ITEMS)

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AMENDED UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Enclosed herewith is an amended Form PTP/SB/05 for the above-identified utility patent application filed on March 29, 2004. This amended form identifies the application as a continuation of prior application no. PCT/US02/31140.

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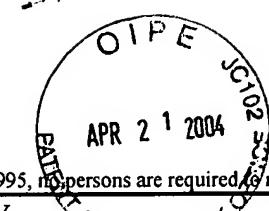
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See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

Attorney Docket No. 16051

First Inventor or Application Identifier Frank Runnels

Title Apparatus for Dispensing Flat Items

Express Mail Label No.

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1. *Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. Applicant claims small entity status.
(See 37 CFR 1.27)

3. Specification [Total Pages 19]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

- Descriptive title of the Invention
- Cross References to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R&D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 6]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]

- a. Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
[Note Box 5 below]

DELETION OF INVENTORS

i. Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see CFR §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission *(if applicable, all necessary)*

- a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
 - i. CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
 - ii. Paper
- c. Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documents)

10. 37 CFR §3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney *(when there is an assignee)*

11. English Translation Document *(if applicable)*.

12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Copies of IDS Citations

13. Preliminary Amendment

14. Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)

15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) *(if foreign priority is claimed)*

16. Request and Certificate under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
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17. Other: _____

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Group/Art Unit _____

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